

Amendments to the Abstract

Please **add** the following Abstract to this application.

-- An digital recording apparatus and a method for controlling a digital recording apparatus for allowing a user to quickly and easily determine a number of available programs stored on the recording apparatus. The present invention provides an initial on screen display in response to the receipt of a power ON command, placing the apparatus in a powered state, wherein the initial on screen display provides an indication of the number of available video programs stored on the apparatus. Alternatively, the initial on screen display may provide the number of video programs stored since the apparatus was last in the ON state, or the number of video programs stored since the user last accessed a full listing of stored programs. --